UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Kyle Guay

V.

Case No. 20-cv-736-LM

Sig Sauer, Inc.

ORDER

On October 29, 2020, the court held a preliminary pretrial conference by video teleconference. The parties submitted a proposed discovery plan in advance of that conference. Doc. no.

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Scheduling Designation	Deadline
Trial	Two-week period beginning March 15, 2022
Demand	August 16, 2021
Offer	August 30, 2021
Disclosure of Claims Against Unnamed Parties	November 13, 2020
Amendment of Pleadings	Plaintiff: December 15, 2020 Defendant: January 15, 2021
Joinder of Additional Parties	Plaintiff: December 15, 2020 Defendant: January 15, 2021
Third-Party Actions	February 16, 2021
Expert Disclosures and Reports	Plaintiff - April 30, 2021
Rule 26(e) Supplementations	August 16, 2021
Completion of Discovery	October 29, 2021
Motions for Summary Judgment	November 15, 2021
Challenges to Expert Testimony	January 21, 2022

Mandatory Disclosures	December 15, 2020
Joint Statement Re: Mediation	September 15, 2021

Electronic Information Disclosures. The parties shall meet and confer after the exchange of initial disclosures regarding the production of electronically stored information (ESI). These discussions should be framed in the context of specific claims and defenses and the nature and complexity of the matter. The parties shall consider the factors set out in Civil Form 2¹ and submit a supplemental statement regarding ESI no later than December 31, 2020.

materials. In the event a party or non-party inadvertently produces or discloses documents or information protected by the attorney-client privilege, work-product doctrine, or any other privilege recognized by law, the party or non-party that inadvertently produced or disclosed the privileged information will promptly notify the party or parties to whom it was disclosed. Upon receiving such notification, the receiving

Claims of privilege/protection of trial preparation

party shall, within seven (7) days: (1) return the inadvertently

 $^{^1}$ The parties are reminded that the court adopted a new template discovery plan as part of the December 1, 2019 amendments to the Local Rules. The revised Civil Form 2 and ESI checklist can be found here: $\frac{\text{http://www.nhd.uscourts.gov/forms-0.}}{\text{0.}}$

produced information and any copies thereof; (2) destroy any remaining copies of such information; (3) not use or disclose such information further; and (4) take reasonable steps to retrieve the information if the party disclosed it before being notified. The inadvertent production of such material will not be deemed to waive any privileges. Nothing herein will prevent any party from arguing that the material was never privileged or otherwise immune from disclosure, or that such privilege or immunity has otherwise been waived. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(5)(B).

Completion of discovery. The parties are advised that the court considers the deadline for the completion of discovery to be a deadline by which discovery is to be completed - not a deadline by which discovery is to be served. Propounding parties shall ensure that enough time remains in the discovery period for the recipient to provide its responses by that deadline. Where Federal Rule 33(b)(2), 34(b)(2), or 36(a)(3) would call for a response after the deadline, the recipient need not provide a response.

Discovery disputes. Should discovery disputes arise in this case, prior to filing a motion to compel, the parties may request an informal conference. The party or counsel seeking discovery-related relief should confer with opposing counsel, identify mutually available dates, and then contact the Deputy

Clerk to schedule a conference with the court. The court will inform the parties and counsel what written materials, if any, will be permitted in advance of the conference. To the extent this informal process does not resolve the discovery dispute, the parties may file an appropriate motion.

Status Conference. The parties shall file a joint statement on the status of discovery no later than 60 days prior to the close of discovery deadline. The parties should indicate in that report whether they request a discovery status conference before the court. If the parties request a conference, or if the court otherwise deems one necessary, then the Clerk's Office shall schedule a conference as soon as is practicable.

SO ORDERED.

Andrea K. Johnstone

United States Magistrate Judge

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November 3, 2020

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